IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Serial No. : 10/602,464 Confirmation : 3975

Applicant(s) : Masahiro KAWAGUCHI

Filed : June 23, 2003

Title : NUCLEIC-ACID PROBE SUBSTRATE, SYSTEM FOR TEMPERATURE

CONTROL OF THE SUBSTRATE, AND GENE DETECTION METHOD

MAKING USE OF THE SAME

Art Unit : 1634

Examiner : FORMAN, Betty J.

Docket No. : 1232-5069 Customer No. : 27123

RESPONSE TO AUGUST 7, 2006 COMMUNICATION REGARDING APPLICANT'S AUGUST 1, 2006 AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Notice of Non-Complaint Amendment dated August 7, 2006. The Amendment filed on August 1, 2003 was deemed non-compliant because it did not include a complete listing of all claims. Specifically, Applicants inadvertently omitted the text of claims 4-11 in the filed Amendment which had been withdrawn. A corrected "Amendments to the Claims" section is submitted herewith providing the text of the withdrawn claims. Applicant has otherwise verified that each pending claim has been provided with a proper status identifier (i.e., original, currently amended, canceled, previously presented, new, not entered, withdrawn, withdrawn-currently amended). Applicant respectfully asserts that this corrected section is fully in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121.

Appl. No. 10/602,464 Paper dated <u>August 14, 2006</u> Reply to Office Action dated August 7, 2006

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in light of this paper,

which is set forth as follows:

- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.
- Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.